

House Resolution No. 2692

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who have dedicated their time and energy to ensuring that students have available to them the highest quality learning environment as they prepare for future roles as societal leaders; and

Whereas, Patrice Hawkins of DeSoto has attained distinction as a Teacher at Athena Elementary School in the DeSoto 73 School District for the past twenty-seven years, a vocation which she will draw to a close on June 1, 2004, in retirement; and

Whereas, Patrice Hawkins brought to her sixth grade classroom this year at Athena Elementary School a wealth of knowledge and experience which she garnered during previous DeSoto School District service as a summer school, kindergarten, first, second, third, fourth, and fifth grade teacher and as a second grade learning disabled teacher and as a kindergarten through sixth grade learning disabled teacher in Bartow, Florida, for one year and a kindergarten teacher for two years in Arcadia Valley schools in Ironton; and

Whereas, Patrice Hawkins prepared for her educational career by studiously applying herself to a course of action which resulted in her graduation from Spickard High School, the University of Missouri, and Webster University; and

Whereas, a Sunday School and Vacation Bible School teacher at First Baptist Church, Patrice Hawkins also is a member of the Missouri State Teachers Association, an officer with the Jefferson County District Education Association, the treasurer of DeSoto Teachers Association, and the president of DeSoto Community Teachers Association; and

Whereas, Patrice Hawkins is the beloved wife of Douglas Hawkins and the mother of medical student Cherady, New York actress Natalie, and senior Carla who attends high school in Huddersfield, United Kingdom:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the long, productive career of Patrice Hawkins and to convey to her this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and our sincerest best wishes as she partakes of the special opportunities and pleasures traditionally associated with the golden years of retirement; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Patrice Hawkins of DeSoto, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Wes Wagner
District No. 104

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2692, adopted May 5, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker